

## **OFFICERS FOR 2024 – 2025**

### **Commissioned Officers**

<b>Captain Commanding</b>	<b>MAJ Michael A. Fish, Esq.</b>
<b>First Lieutenant</b>	<b>LT John S. Damiano, III</b>
<b>Second Lieutenant</b>	<b>LT Robert V. Collins, Esq.</b>

### **Elected Commissioned Officers**

<b>Quartermaster</b>	<b>LT Gail A. Thomas</b>
<b>Paymaster</b>	<b>LT Jon Sidoti</b>
<b>Commissary Officer</b>	<b>LT Brett P. Henry</b>
<b>Personnel Adjutant &amp; Clerk</b>	<b>COL Henry J. Hogan</b>

### **Appointed Commissioned Officers**

<b>Chief of Staff</b>	<b>CPT George Morrison, P.C.</b>
<b>Adjutant</b>	<b>BG John Driscoll</b>

### **Elected Non-Commissioned Officers**

#### **Sergeants of Infantry**

1SGT: MICHAEL DOUGLAS  
2SGT: SGT STANLEY CHU  
3SGT: SGT PHILIP PRIMITERA  
4SGT: SGT JOSEPH HARRIS  
5SGT: SGT GEORGE MATTA  
6SGT: SGT JAMES STEELE

#### **Sergeants of Artillery**

1SGT: CPT MacGREGOR MORGAN  
2SGT: SGT STEPHEN ABRAMS  
3SGT: SGT MARCUS KENNEDY  
4SGT: SGT PAUL Mc MAHON  
5SGT: SGT MICHAEL MORRIS  
6SGT: SGT MICHAEL NEMETH

### **A.H.A.C. JUNE DAY ODE 2024 - 2025**

- Written by LT Neal Biron

**THREE HUNDRED and EIGHTY SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY**

**ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY  
OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**Annual Church Service**

**1638**

**2025**



**Grand Lodge of Masons  
of Massachusetts**

**Monday, 2 June 2025  
MAJ Michael A. Fish, ESQ  
Captain Commanding**

**Anniversary Sermon  
Reverend Matthew Wissell**

**Anniversary Ode  
LT Neal Biron  
Author and Reader**

**DEATH ROLL REPORT**  
**1 June 2024 – 31 May 2025**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

Prelude: A Selected Piece  
– WOR Steve Samaria, Organist

Salutation to the Colors\*

Invocation\*  
Reverend Matthew Wissell

Prayer  
Elegy of a Veteran  
MAJ Michael A. Fish, C.C.

A Reading of The Scripture  
Psalm 91  
LT Robert Durand

Second Reading  
Deuteronomy 20:1 – 4  
LT John Mitchell

Third Reading  
Celebrating Our Nation  
LT Stephen Coan

Reading of the Death Roll\*  
Adjutant BG John Driscoll

TAPS\*  
LT Robert G. Bean

Sermon  
Reverend Matthew Wissell

Battle Hymn of the Republic  
- Howe

Anniversary Ode  
LT Neal Biron

National Anthem\*

Benediction\*  
Reverend Matthew Wissell

Postlude: A Selected Piece  
WOR Steve Samaria, Organist

\* Congregation please stand

SGT LOUIS P. PIACENTINI  
DIED: 30 MAY 2024  
(NOTIFIED 2 JUNE 2024)  
ENROLLED: 3 APRIL 2006  
SERVED: 18 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

MAJ ALBERT J. TONRY  
DIED: 7 JUNE 2024  
ENROLLED: 16 APRIL 2013  
SERVED: 11 YEARS  
R.O.D. MEMBER

SGM JAMES W. WEYDT  
DIED: 23 JUNE 2024  
ENROLLED: 14 MAY 2001  
SERVED: 23 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

CPT KEVIN F. JOYCE  
DIED: 7 JULY 2024  
ENROLLED: 13 JANUARY 2020  
SERVED: 4 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

LT EUGENE P. KELLEY  
DIED: 10 JULY 2024  
ENROLLED: 10 SEPT 1973  
SERVED: 51 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE 50 MEMBER

PVT G. GREGORY WHITE  
DIED: 2 AUGUST 2024  
ENROLLED: 3 APRIL 2017  
SERVED: 7 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

MSG GERALD DAVIDSON  
DIED: 11 AUGUST 2024  
ENROLLED: 9 FEB 1998  
SERVED: 26 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

PVT CHARLES BONANNO  
DIED: 8 OCTOBER 2024  
ENROLLED: 14 FEB 1977  
SERVED: 47 YEARS  
NON RESIDENT MEMBER

LT ROBERT ENGEL  
DIED: 22 OCT 2024  
ENROLLED: 13 NOV 2003  
SERVED: 21 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

LT EUGENE PIACENTINI  
DIED: 12 NOV 2024  
ENROLLED: 3 APRIL 1989  
SERVED: 35 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

CPT PAUL MORRILL, P.C.  
DIED: 7 DECEMBER 2024  
ENROLLED: 1 MAY 1995  
SERVED: 29 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

LT DAVID L. CROSS  
DIED: 18 DECEMBER 2024  
ENROLLED: 18 SEPT 1995  
SERVED: 29 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

MSG GERARD KELLY  
DIED: 29 DECEMBER 2024  
ENROLLED: 8 SEPT 1975  
SERVED: 49 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

COL ROBERT MESSINA  
DIED: 30 JANUARY 2025  
ENROLLED: 6 APRIL 1981  
SERVED: 44 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

CW3 CHRISTOPHER PEATRIDGE  
DIED: 10 FEBRUARY 2025  
ENROLLED: 2 AUGUST 1999  
SERVED: 25 YEARS  
REGULAR MEMBER

LT LAWRENCE KNOWLES  
DIED: 23 FEBRUARY 2025  
ENROLLED: 14 APRIL 2016  
SERVED: 9 YERS  
REGULAR MEMBER

CPT JOHN ROCCO  
DIED: 21 MARCH 2025  
ENROLLED: 20 SEPT 1993  
SERVED: 32 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

CPL JAMES SARNI  
DIED: 7 MAY 2025  
ENROLLED: 19 OCT 1984  
SERVED: 41 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

COL RICHARD TEDESCHI  
DIED: 18 MAY 2025  
ENROLLED: 13 FEB 1989  
SERVED: 36 YEARS  
SENIOR LIFE MEMBER

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TO THE  
ANCIENT AND HONORABLE  
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MAJ MICHAEL A. FISH, ESQUIRE  
316<sup>TH</sup> CAPTAIN COMMANDING

# **A.H.A.C. JUNE DAY ODE 2024 - 2025**

*- Written by LT Neal F. Biron June 2, 2025*

Ring out O glorious church bells ring,  
And sound the clarion call,  
For today the Ancients march again  
From historic Faneuil Hall.

The bands will play and the troops will march  
And the muskets, they will roar,  
As we follow the ancient footsteps  
Of those who have gone before.

And there upon that common pasture,  
In the shadow of the golden dome,  
We'll once again inscribe a chapter  
In history's eternal tome.

March on O Ancient Company,  
March on through decades more,  
And bear upon ghostly caissons  
The stores of ancient lore.

And though we march 100 strong  
Under June's bright warming sun,  
A thousand more keep step with us,  
Their service centuries done.

For we will never march alone.  
We live not for just today,  
We'll march on ever mindful  
Of comrades who've passed away.

And mindful too of a course that's true  
That assures our future years,  
With adherence to that trust and duty  
That leadership confers.

And that is a duty that befalls us all  
Not just a chosen few,  
For what is a general without an army,  
To see the campaign through?

So gather 'round and cheer the colors  
Born by this ancient band,  
As we pledge once more our loyal service  
To this Company old and grand.